Town of Marshfield Selectboard Meeting Minutes November 13, 2020

Emergency Meeting Called

In Attendance: Chris Martin, Chair, Rich Baker, & Laurie Colgan

Meeting called to order at 12:15 PM.

1. **Sing Dog Issue:** Chris has been in touch with the Vermont State regarding a reported dog abuse complaint. Crystal Ryan of WCMHS alleges that Janet Sing was abusing her dogs by hitting them with a metal 4' level. Janet also threatened Crystal when she tried to get her to stop hitting the dogs. The trooper's investigation found that one dog appeared to be injured and he referred Crystal to contact Chris. Crystal reported that Janet is no longer at the property and that Kevin Sing does not live there but does stay in touch with Janet.

In order to rescue the dog(s), we have to obtain a warrant from Superior Court, coordinate with a sheriff and a veterinarian to go to the property.

Chris contacted Kevin Sing during the meeting. Kevin confirmed that he and Janet were married and that he is staying at the house and taking care of the animals.

The board ended actions to obtain the dogs with Kevin's indication that he was taking care of the dogs. The board will discuss potential further actions regarding violation of the original order at the board meeting on 11/17/2020.

2. **COVID-19 Update:** The board discussed the latest COVID-19 outbreak and sharp increase in cases in the area. Chris moved to close the building, Old School House Common, to the public effective close of business on Friday, November 13, 2020 until further notice. Laurie seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Chris will notify Bobbi so she can inform the tenants and post notices for the public.

Meeting adjourned at 1:03 PM.

Next meeting is scheduled for November 17, 2020 at 5:30 PM.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Laurie M Colgan.

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A True Record. Attest,			_, Town Clerk